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Urging increased Federal funding for juvenile (Type 1) diabetes research.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas submitted the following concurrent resolution;
which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Urging increased Federal funding for juvenile (Type 1)
diabetes research.

Whereas over 1.3 million Americans suffer from juvenile
(Type 1) diabetes, a chronic, genetically determined, de-
bilitating disease affecting every organ system;

Whereas 13,000 children a year—35 each day—are diag-
nosed with juvenile diabetes;

Whereas 17,000 adults a year—46 each day—are diagnosed
with juvenile diabetes;

Whereas juvenile diabetes is one of the most costly chronic
diseases of childhood;

Whereas insulin treats but does not cure this potentially
deadly disease and does not prevent the complications of
diabetes, which include blindness, heart attack, kidney
failure, stroke, nerve damage, and amputations;

Whereas the Diabetes Research Working Group, a non-partisan advisory board established to advise Congress, has called for an accelerated and expanded diabetes research program at the National Institutes of Health and has recommended a funding level of \$1.6 billion at the NIH for diabetes research in 2004 and actual funding is only \$946 million: and

Whereas a strong public-private partnership to fund juvenile diabetes exists between the Federal Government and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, a foundation which has awarded more than \$800 million for diabetes research since 1970 and gave more than \$85 million in fiscal year 2004: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That Federal funding for diabetes research
 3 should be increased in accordance with the recommenda-
 4 tions of the Diabetes Research Working Group so that a
 5 cure for juvenile diabetes can be found.

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